# SEATTLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

# OPERATIONS LEVY

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ADOPTED November 4, 2015

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WHEREAS, the money in and to be paid into the General Fund of Seattle School District No. 1, King County, Washington, (the "District") during the 2016-2017, 2017-2018, 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 school years will be insufficient to enable the District to pay for necessary educational programs and operations and to properly meet the educational needs of the students within the District, including students attending charter schools to the extent mandated by RCW 28A.710.220(8), without additional funds in excess of the maximum annual tax levy permitted by law to be levied within the District without a vote of the electors; and

WHEREAS, in order to properly provide for such educational programs and operations and such educational needs, the Board of Directors of the District deems it necessary to levy the following taxes upon all of the taxable property within the District in excess of the maximum annual tax levy permitted by law to be levied within the District without a vote of the electors:

- A. A tax of approximately \$1.38 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation to provide \$229,400,000, said levy to be made in 2016 for collection in 2017; and
- B. A tax of approximately \$1.44 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation to provide \$250,300,000, said levy to be made in 2017 for collection in 2018; and
- C. A tax of approximately \$1.53 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation to provide \$278,600,000, said levy to be made in 2018 for collection in 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution and laws of the State of Washington require that the question of whether or not such excess taxes may be levied must be submitted to the qualified electors of the District for their ratification or rejection;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors finds that preparation of a voters' pamphlet would inform and educate the voters regarding the proposition; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SEATTLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, as follows:

Section 1. The following taxes for the District's General Fund should be levied upon all of the taxable property within the District in excess of the maximum annual tax levy permitted by law to be levied within the District without a vote of the electors:

- A. \$229,400,000, said levy to be made in 2016 for collection in 2017; and
- B. \$250,300,000, said levy to be made in 2017 for collection in 2018; and
- C. \$278,600,000 said levy to be made in 2018 for collection in 2019.

The estimated levy rate depends upon the final dollar amount of assessed value of the property within the District. Based on available information, the estimated levy rate for the 2016 levy is \$1.38 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation (\$166,826,356,224 of assessed value), the estimated levy rate for the 2017 levy is \$1.44 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation (\$174,049,937,449 of assessed value) and the estimated levy rate for the 2018 levy is \$1.53 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation (\$181,882,184,634 of assessed value). The exact levy rate shall be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the property within the District at the time of the levy. Upon approval by the voters of the proposition substantially in the form set forth below, the District may use the proceeds of said levies during the 2016-2017, 2017-2018, 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 school years by incurring an indebtedness by the issuance of short term obligations against the General Fund of the District, as authorized by Chapter 39.50 RCW,

and may expend the proceeds of said levies to pay such part of the general expenses of educational programs and operations of the District during such school years as may be authorized or allowed by law for the use of excess levy funds.

Section 2. It is hereby found and declared that the best interests of the District require the submission to the qualified electors of the District of the proposition of whether or not the District shall levy such excess tax for their ratification or rejection at a special election to be held therein on February 9, 2016.

King County Elections, as *ex officio* supervisor of elections in King County, Washington, is hereby requested to call and conduct said special election to be held within the District on said date and to submit to the qualified electors of the District the proposition substantially in the form hereinafter set forth.

The Secretary of the Board of Directors is hereby authorized and directed to certify said proposition substantially in the following form:

# PROPOSITION NO. 1

# SEATTLE SCHOOLS

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Seattle School District No. 1 requests approval of this proposition to maintain current educational program funding levels. This proposition replaces an expiring levy and authorizes the District to levy the following excess taxes on all taxable property within the District, to support the District's educational programs and operations:

Collection Years	Approximate Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value*	 Levy Amount	_
2017	\$ 1.38	\$ 229,400,000	
2018	1.44	250,300,000	
2019	1.53	278,600,000	

Should this proposition be approved?
YES
NO
*The foregoing levy rates shall be adjusted as provided in Section 1 of this resolution.
The Secretary of the Board of Directors of the District is hereby directed to deliver a
certified copy of this resolution to the Director of King County Elections.
Section 3. The Secretary of the Board of Directors is hereby authorized and directed to

request King County Elections to prepare and distribute a voters' pamphlet for this proposition,

and authorizes the payment of the costs of the voters' pamphlet.

ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Seattle School District No. 1, King County, Washington, at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of November 2015.

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